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SOPHISTICATED VILLAGE

.... by Rhea.

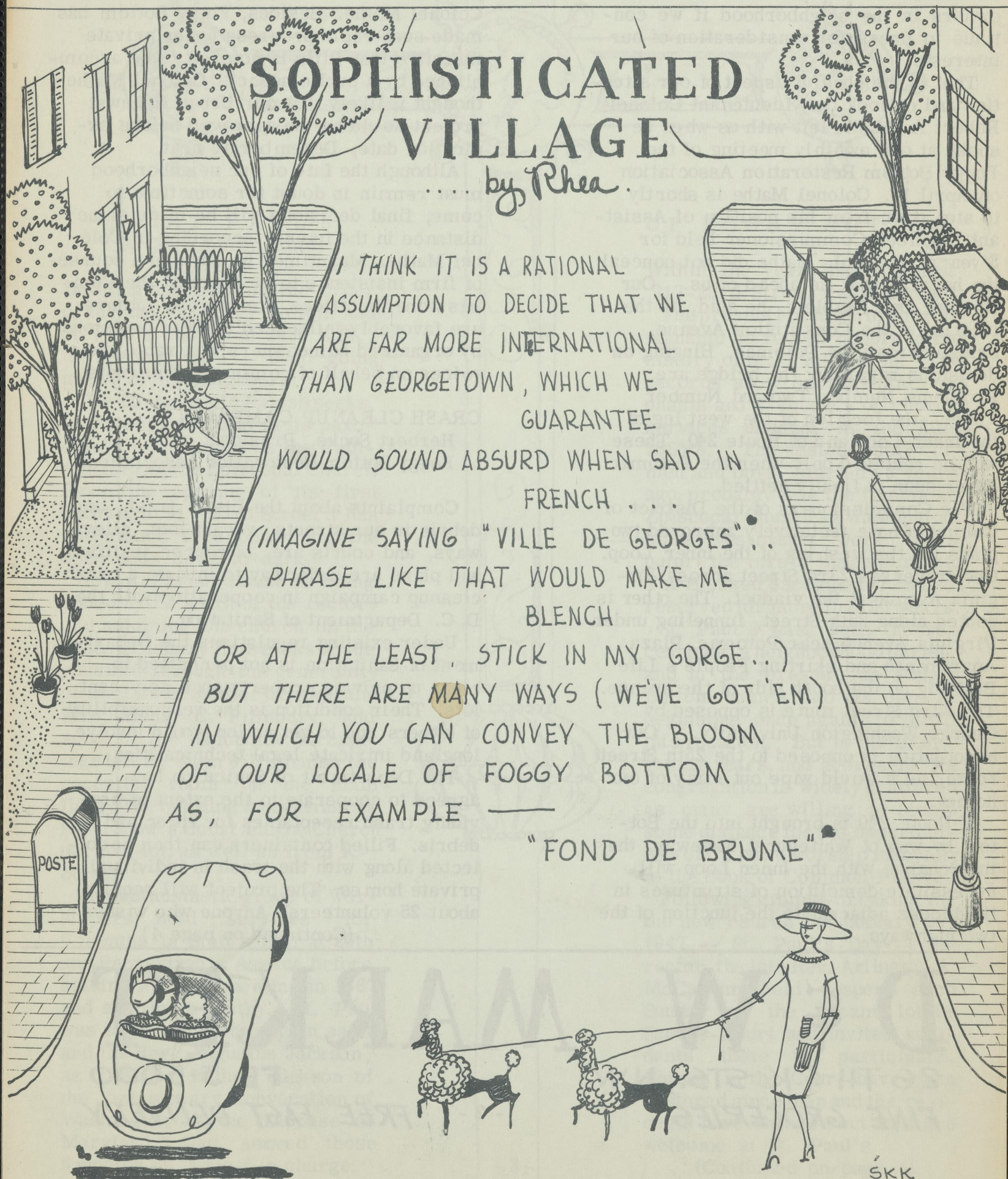
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(IMAGINE SAYING "VILLE DE GEORGES" . .
A PHRASE LIKE THAT WOULD MAKE ME
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OR AT THE LEAST, STICK IN MY GORGE . .)
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COLONEL MATHE'S ADVICE TO BOTTOM HOMEOWNERS

The future of Foggy Bottom can be influenced definitely in favor of the homeowners in the neighborhood if we continue to press for consideration of our interests.

That is the hopeful aspect of our situation and outlook that Lieutenant Colonel Robert A. Mathe left with us when he spoke at our monthly meeting of the Foggy Bottom Restoration Association on April 14. Colonel Mathe is shortly to step down from his position of Assistant Engineer Commissioner held for 3 years. But Col. Mathe did not conceal the hazards that lie ahead of us. Our Number One Problem, he said, is the location of the Constitution Avenue bridge across the Potomac. Hinging on decisions regarding the bridge are Problems Number Two and Number Three--the location of the west leg of the Inner Loop and of Route 240. These will be resolved only when the Potomac River span is finally settled.

The Commissioners of the District of Columbia have tentatively approved two plans for the west leg of the Inner Loop. One traverses 23rd Street across Virginia Avenue at the viaduct. The other is routed along 25th Street, tunneling under Virginia Avenue near Potomac Plaza Apartments and skirting People's Life Building on the south side of the avenue. The 23rd Street route is opposed by George Washington University. Our association is opposed to the 25th Street route, as it would wipe out many of our homes.

If Route 240 is brought into the Bottom by way of Whitehurst Freeway, the interchange with the Inner Loop will necessitate demolition of structures in the blocks adjacent to the junction of the two highways.

All this uncertainty regarding the location of the bridge and the highways has halted progress on Urban Renewal development in Foggy Bottom, which had favorable prospects in the early stages, according to Colonel Mathe. Besides, Foggy Bottom has made such rapid progress under private initiative that little is now left to be accomplished by a public agency. Colonel Mathe thought it likely that our Urban Renewal project would not be approved before expiration date, December 15 next.

Although the fate of our neighborhood must remain in doubt for sometime to come, final decisions will be made some distance in the future, according to Colonel Mathe. Meantime, he advised a course of firm insistence to be heard at the Commissioner's offices, for the city fathers are favorably influenced in their decisions by organized homeowners who raise their voices on behalf of community interests.

CRASH CLEANUP CAMPAIGN

Herbert Socks, President
Foggy Bottom Restoration Association

Complaints about the litter, trash, and debris in our streets, vacant lots, alleyways, and courts are, of course, justified, and plans are underway to initiate a crash cleanup campaign in cooperation with the D. C. Department of Sanitation.

Under existing regulations the Department of Sanitation is not permitted to clean up private property such as vacant lots. Their condition is the responsibility of owners and to get action would involve long and intricate legal technicalities.

The Department of Sanitation has agreed to cooperate to the extent of providing trash receptacles for litter and debris. Filled containers can then be collected along with the trash in individual private homes. The project will require about 25 volunteers. Anyone who wishes

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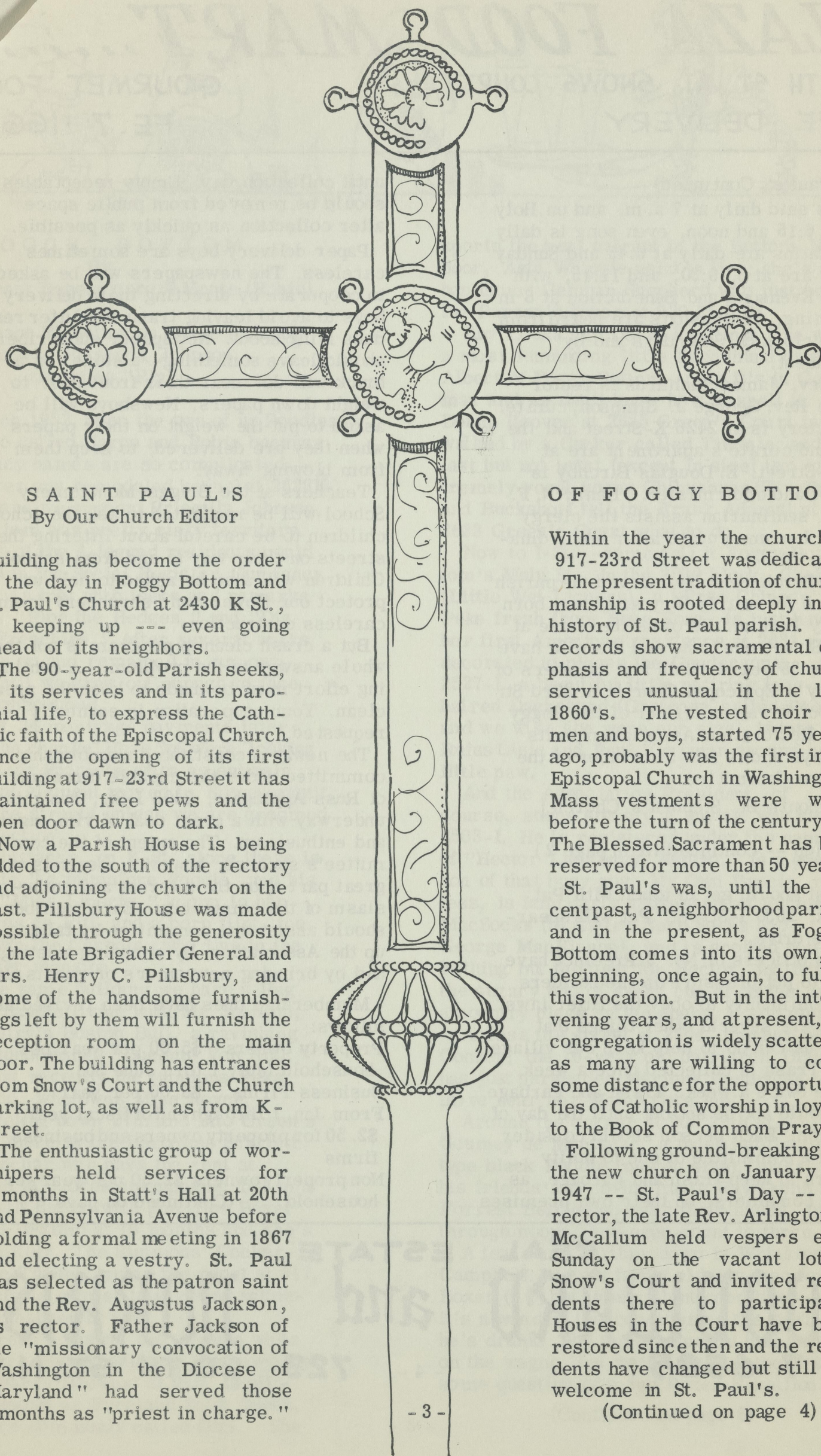
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SAINT PAUL'S

By Our Church Editor

Building has become the order of the day in Foggy Bottom and St. Paul's Church at 2430 K St., is keeping up --- even going ahead of its neighbors.

The 90-year-old Parish seeks, in its services and in its parochial life, to express the Catholic faith of the Episcopal Church. Since the opening of its first building at 917-23rd Street it has maintained free pews and the open door dawn to dark.

Now a Parish House is being added to the south of the rectory and adjoining the church on the east. Pillsbury House was made possible through the generosity of the late Brigadier General and Mrs. Henry C. Pillsbury, and some of the handsome furnishings left by them will furnish the reception room on the main floor. The building has entrances from Snow's Court and the Church parking lot, as well as from K-Street.

The enthusiastic group of worshipers held services for 6 months in Statt's Hall at 20th and Pennsylvania Avenue before holding a formal meeting in 1867 and electing a vestry. St. Paul was selected as the patron saint and the Rev. Augustus Jackson, as rector. Father Jackson of the "missionary convocation of Washington in the Diocese of Maryland" had served those 6 months as "priest in charge."

OF FOGGY BOTTOM

Within the year the church at 917-23rd Street was dedicated.

The present tradition of churchmanship is rooted deeply in the history of St. Paul parish. The records show sacramental emphasis and frequency of church services unusual in the late 1860's. The vested choir of men and boys, started 75 years ago, probably was the first in an Episcopal Church in Washington. Mass vestments were worn before the turn of the century and The Blessed Sacrament has been reserved for more than 50 years.

St. Paul's was, until the recent past, a neighborhood parish, and in the present, as Foggy Bottom comes into its own, is beginning, once again, to fulfill this vocation. But in the intervening years, and at present, its congregation is widely scattered as many are willing to come some distance for the opportunities of Catholic worship in loyalty to the Book of Common Prayer.

Following ground-breaking for the new church on January 25, 1947 -- St. Paul's Day -- the rector, the late Rev. Arlington A. McCallum held vespers each Sunday on the vacant lot in Snow's Court and invited residents there to participate. Houses in the Court have been restored since then and the residents have changed but still are welcome in St. Paul's.

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(St. Paul's, Continued)

Mass is said daily at 7 a. m. and on Holy days at 6:15 and noon, even song is daily at 6. Matins are daily at 6:45 and Sunday masses are at 8, 9:30, and 11:15, with Solemn Evensong and Benediction at 8 in the evening. Confessions are heard from 5 to 7 o'clock on Saturdays and by appointment.

The Rev. James Richards is rector with the Rev. George J. Simpson, curate. The rectory is at 2426 K-Street and the office and curate's apartment are at 2424 K-Street. E. Douglas Birchby is organist and choirmaster. Henry N. F. Minich, seminarian assists the clergy and will become curate after his ordination May 10.

Lloyd Dutch, who has served the parish as sexton for nearly 20 years, was born in Foggy Bottom. He owns the house at 2407 I-Street where he and his wife have lived for 35 years. Both are members of St. Mary's Episcopal Church on 23rd St. Mrs. Dutch was an officer of the Foggy Bottom Restoration Association in its early days and is now a member of the Executive Committee.

[Next month: St. Stephen's Church]

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to assist should get in touch with Pat Worlick, 2530 I-Street. Pat will spearhead the drive.

Police officers of No. 3 Precinct have agreed to put pressure on the builders in the community to obey the litter laws.

There are several other things that each of us can do to help keep our village clean. Trash is collected once a week, garbage twice a week. Trash and garbage cans should not be set out until the day of collection. Each person should consider himself a committee of one to notify violators to keep trash and garbage, as well as containers, on their own premises

until collection day. Empty receptacles should be removed from public space after collection as quickly as possible.

Paper delivery boys are sometimes careless. The newspapers will be asked to cooperate by directing their delivery boys to avoid leaving trash and litter residues lying about. Newspaper subscribers should leave something--a stone, or a brick will do--near their front door to weight down papers. Newsboys will be asked to put the weight on their papers when they are delivered, to keep them from blowing away.

Teachers at the Briggs-Montgomery School will be requested to ask the school children to be careful about littering the streets on their way to and from school. Children will also be asked to help us protect our flowers and shrubbery from careless destruction.

But a crash cleanup program is not the whole answer to the problem. A continuing effort must be made to keep the area clean. Your cooperation is earnestly requested.

The newly reconstituted membership committee under the capable direction of Russ Applegate, 2408 I-St., has gotten underway with a great deal of vim, vigor, and enthusiasm. The extent of the committee's success, however, depends in great part upon the interest and enthusiasm of the community. Each member should assist this committee by talking up the Association, by attending meetings, and by bringing newcomers or guests along.

Membership dues have been revised as follows:

Property owners	\$5.00 per year per household (July 1 thru June 30)
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DOGGY BOTTOM

By

Sergeant Robespierre de Monte (Robie)
and

Sergeant Richelieu de Monte (Harpo)
As told to Priscilla Johnson,
known as "Pip"

In March 1952, when the two of us Poodles --we're called Harpo and Robie because our fancy names are so complicated -- took over our remodeled kennel at 2628 K-St., where we support Priscilla Johnson, the Bottom was pretty risky territory. Not one of the 4-legged residents could we find in the Social Register. Our fancy show-cuts met with jeers and remarks such as "Pipe the Hedges," and "Dig those Frenchies." After several walks we gave up and remained in our own patio until we grew out enough to face the neighborhood.

About 24 mortgage payments later came the change. Here we were, looking like Water Spaniels, when an entirely different element moved in. Now we don't roam the streets unless we are groomed to perfection.

For instance, on K-St. alone there is "Charlie," a miniature Poodle, and his sister "Miss Liberty," known to her intimates as Fifi, and a born flirt, too. They own the Carrols, who live in the old Peter mansion.

In the same building we have a Pug named Sandie living with Mr. Johnson, McKinstry's Boston Bull, a ravishing Dachshund named "Queenie Von Hixl," and most recently the fabulous Peke, Mr. Poo, who owns Miss Royce.

Traveling down 27th and into Green's Court, there is the Baroness Scarlett de Franchar who pays the rent at 915 27th St., loves champagne, but in a pinch will put up with gin. Her Boxer son was drafted at 16 months and she's pretty bitter. The Simmons' Cocker, "Golden Taffie," rules the roost at 917, and there is a most interesting miniature Schnauzer at 909.

In Green's Court, too, a pure white miniature Poodle enjoying the company of the Harry Browns' at 915, is officially known as Freeland Snow Queen, but more commonly called Gigi. She

sports the best haircut in the Bottom. Next door, Asta Whipple used to live; she's a handsome German Shepherd who just bought the Barnes's house at 920 25th St.

Kay Louka and Doris Kauffman live with a most demanding little Dachshund named Albert of Foggy Bottom--only it's in German and we don't know how to spell it. Donna Hoover at 2625 Green's Court is walked by a Cocker called Timmie; and last but not least (except in size) two extremely vocal young Chihuahuas (Tim Boy and Buckshot) tell the Frank Adams' at 2633 Green's Court what to do.

Now to I-St. --some call it Foggy Bottom's Main St. In the 2600 block, Choksi (Little Wet Lioness), a "Free Chinese" Peke fresh from Hong Kong, is just having her first American residence at 2631 re-decorated to please the Gundersons. At 2527-I, a beautiful little retiring long-haired Dachshund (Gretchen, called Poo and we wish she were our size) twists Rufus Lisle and Paul Vaniman around her little paw.

And the Association President, of course, snaps sternly at anyone who visits 2503-I. He is registered under the name of "Hector Lieutenant Arturo," is a grandson of that busy guy, My Own Brucie, no less, is familiarly addressed as Hector MacSocks (to flatter Herb Socks and George MacKinnon), and is spoiled rotten. Nothing but the best for Hector, including the sugary end of every cup of coffee, and a country place called Sheba, if you please.

Across the street at 2504, another black Cocker, the 10-year old patriarch, Diablo, has just persuaded Marjory Hendricks to move near her Water Gate Inn.

Around the corner at 908 25th St., Goumey de Mantanac, a most intellectual type black Poodle (moyen size), makes his friends and co-habitants Ray Quinn and Forrest Bell, pray, wash their hands, jump through hoops, and even count to three.

A few doors farther down is Wrinkles Campbell. He's a fairly elderly man for a Boxer (9 $\frac{1}{2}$) but in excellent condition--and it's a wonder, too, considering the martinis he's drunk. The word's spread that he's on the wagon, but we've treed it there's some question of a 2nd Boxer Rebellion.

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(Doggy Bottom - Continued)

(You should have heard Wrinkles and Sis sing "Silent Night" together last Christmastime. Wrinkles taught Sis to harmonize.)

Then there's an affable little Dachs-hund at 916 25th, and across the street at 911 a somewhat unapproachable black Scottie who lives at the Blumenthals', but we haven't been officially introduced so we don't know their names yet.

In Hughes Court, as far as we know, there is only one house owner, a plump and attractive female Sheltie named Dusty, and you should see how she bosses Benita Belden and Sara Reese around.

Going east, on Main St. --that is I -- in the 2400 block, our only Beagle, named Cherie (unfortunately she can no longer say "Oui, oui,") lives with Frank Wrenn at 2427. And at 2417, Mr. Cabot, from Boston, upset Rhea Radin's household a few weeks ago by being attacked by two bandit cats, after his roommate Suchitta, the Siamese cat, had let them into the house. He ended up at the vet's, all scratched up, and confessed to that because of nervous strain involved he had finally discovered how to bark. Apparently he had previously been too inhibited, being from New England.

At 2409 lives Zazu, a black Poodle our own size, who brought Liz Harter back from Paris some years ago. And at 2410, Count Wilhelm, a mini brown Poodle, at less than a year has already learned how to run the Wellborn menage. He's taking his family to obedience classes on Tuesday nights and we understand the Wellborns are heeling beautifully.

On New Hampshire Avenue, at 808, an elegant white toy Poodle, Charlie, owns Miss Etta Mai Russell, and at the Elise Apartments there are quite a few newcomers, including a miniature named Bon Ton and another named Peppe, as well as a Peke.

Fred Othman is kept in luxury at the Potomac Plaza by a grey Standard who goes by the name of Emma, and there is a 3-dog menage serviced by Lee Manahan, consisting of Gregor's Randie, an English white miniature, Lynda Lee, a grey miniature Schnauzer, and Hermetas Pinoy, a black and white Chihuahua. We can't relate too much about these apartment dwellers as our canine census says they haven't been around long enough to be thoroughly treed.

If we have omitted anyone, please accept our apologies. With the new trees the Association got for us, there is now room for 6 more dogs in the area.

We have nine more of Pip's new azalea plants to dig up this afternoon, so must sign off.

SUSPENSE STORY

One spring day a couple of weeks ago Shirley Kennard, 2423 I-St., bundled up an armful of winter clothes, piled them into the family car, and drove them up the street to the Chinese laundry near the corner of 21st and I to have them cleaned.

It wasn't until she returned home that she realized her handbag was missing. And a moment later she recalled the bag contained her most valuable possessions--her wedding ring and its two guards set with sapphires. She had intended to take the rings to be cleaned too.

Back to the laundry she drove in a hurry. Perhaps the bag was lost among the clothing. But it wasn't. Nobody had seen it. She inquired in the nearby apartments--nobody there had reported finding it.

Arrived home again she learned that a man had telephoned during her absence. The maid had talked to him. The man said that he had found the bag and was holding it for a reward, but he would not give his name, his address, or his telephone number. He said he would call again.

Then Shirley called Hunter, her husband, and it was agreed that they should report

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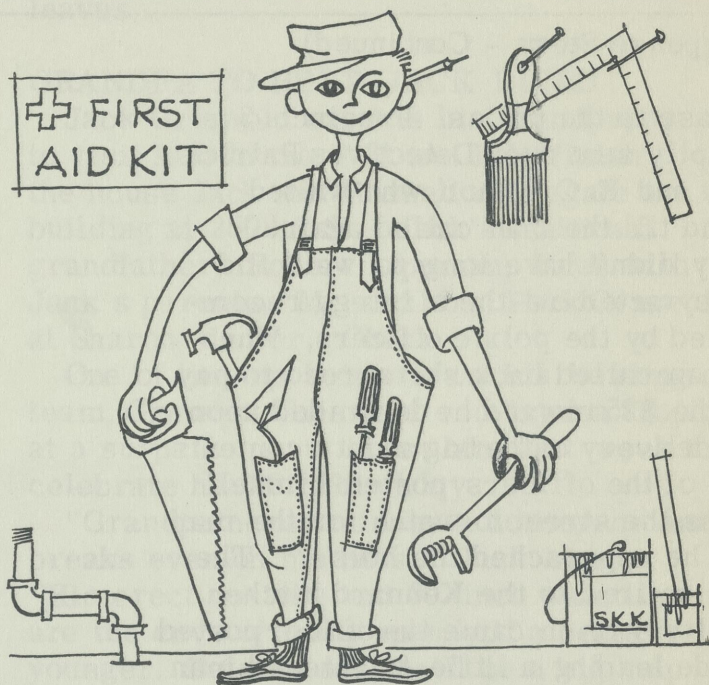
Jack Griswold and Russell Applegate are remodelling their own houses at 2408 and 2508 I-St. Every stick and brick they are putting in themselves. The house at 2508-I is detached and they have even enlarged it by extending the sides and putting in a whole new back brick wall as well as the fireplace. They are including some fascinating personal details too. There's to be a raftered bedroom, and the mantle of one of Washington's "Stately Mansions" has been converted into the cornice for one of their doorways. The floor of the den is brick, and they even have another fireplace in the kitchen!

Jack and Russ are not the only ones who are applying the do-it-yourself technique to remodelling. John Howerton and Len Rayl are doing a super job on 2524 I-St., which even has an upstairs Hi-Fi and TV room, and a brick floored kitchen.

John Millett is a wood-worker by profession, so the house he is remodelling by himself at 828 25th is going to have especially interesting panelling and woodwork. This represents a lot of work, as when he bought the house about a year ago it was a condemned building with a half basement. Now it has three full floors with the counter kitchen, half bath, and furnace room in what was formerly a dirt cellar only halfway through the house.

And then there is Bob Keith who is now putting the finishing touches on his elegant little house at 918 25th. This was also a labor of love, but a good deal of sweat and some tears was involved when the District Government made him move his side wall in 6 inches. The wall was intruding upon "public space"--really only a little covered passageway between his house and the one next door.

There is also a little house in the



middle of Hughes Court (923) that Marvin Mohler has been living in while he restored every inch of it. It's almost finished now, and Marvin has done it all in the odd moments his job as electronics engineer at CAA has left him.

John Colish is living at 2406 I-St. while he is tackling it himself, and Jay Poppel and Fred Douglas at 2604 K-St. have remodelled their basement to provide proper housing for their four monkeys, as well as doing drastic remodelling on their second floor.

There are quite a few others who have the skill, the imagination, and the energy to really do their own homes in Foggy Bottom. Don't you agree that it adds a very special flavor to have so many hand-made restorations in the area?

THE FOGGY BOTTOM NEWS

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the case to the police. Precinct 3 promptly sent over Detectives Patrick Haley and E. C. Minor, who waited around till the man called again.

They didn't have long to wait and Shirley acted out the strategy recommended by the police officers. When the man called back she agreed to pay him the \$25 reward he demanded upon safe delivery of the bag and its contents.

One of the officers posted himself across the street to watch for the man when he approached the house. The other retired to the Kennard kitchen.

Pretty soon in came the officer posted outside leading a little, frightened man carrying Shirley's bag. The man had knocked at the wrong address down the street, and the officer, acting on suspicion, had taken him into custody. Shirley opened the bag and found the rings and other things intact.

Well, the little man explained that he had been out of work, and was sitting near the window of his apartment facing on I-St across from the laundry, when he noticed the bag in the street where Shirley had unloaded the clothing. He hurried down stairs and recovered it, and opened it. In it he found the Kennard street address and telephone number and the jewelry, and it was then that he decided to ask for the \$25 reward, no less.

The police took him off to the station, but soon they released him as they found nothing against him.

That evening Shirley and Hunter walked down to the little man's apartment on I-St and paid him a substantial reward.

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All members are urged to solicit additional memberships.

Please do not forget that the drive for the Camalier Fund is still underway. Those of you who have not yet made a contribution may do so through any of the following, who are members of the membership committee. Forrest Bell, 908-25th; Harry Brown, 915 Green's Court; John L. Colish, 2406 I-St.; Harriet Gruger, 2530 I-St.; Elizabeth Harter, 2409 I-St.; Inez Larson, 2424 I-St.; Mrs. Andrew A. Nilles, 2422 I-St.; Mrs. Ross S. Stevens, 2614 I-St.; Robert P. Warlick, 2532 I-St.; Edward J. Zekas, 23 Snow's Court; and Miss Etta Mai Russell, 808 N. H. Ave.

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NEWCOMERS IN THE BOTTOM

MRS. FRANCIS WHIPPLE has bought the Barnes house at 920 25th. She moved into her new home from 913 Green's Court, where she rented for a year. Francis spells her name with an "i," as her mother did before her. She's a librarian at USIA.

MARJORY HENDRICKS is back in Foggy Bottom after a good many years. Before Marjory got into the restaurant business she did newspaper reporting and social service work, and once, while pursuing these activities in Foggy Bottom she got locked up in notorious Snow's Court. She escaped her captors by the skin of her teeth. Marjory bought the house at 2504 I-St. recently and is making it her home. She moved in from her place in Potomac, Md., after she sold Normandy Farms, to be close to her Foggy Bottom business, Water Gate Inn.

MR. AND MRS. ARTHUR GUNDERSON, when they returned from Korea recently, started looking for a house that would be conveniently located to his work in USIA. They found what they wanted at 2631 - I, bought it, and moved in. Arthur was chief of the USIA information setup in Korea.

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(Newcomers -- Continued)

HOWARD NEUBERG AND PETER SYNODIS, trainees in the USIA Public Affairs Officers' Program, have moved into 919 Hughes Court, recently restored --the last of the row of houses in the Court to be finished. Howard and Peter expect to complete the USIA trainee course and become Public Affairs Officers in July. After he won his B. S. degree in journalism at Illinois U. in 1952, Howard worked in Europe--he was civilian news chief of Armed Forces Radio in Salzburg, Austria. Now he's winding up a master's degree in journalism at his alma mater, writing his thesis on the use of still pictures in TV. Peter comes directly to the Bottom from California and work as a reporter on the San Diego Union. He's a journalism graduate of USC. Before he entered the University, Peter worked in the aircraft industry and held a sort of summa cum laude distinction in the craft -- the CAA Aircraft and Engine Licenses, highest working papers attainable in the industry.

LOUISE LATHAM, winsome leading lady in "Summer of the '17th Doll," playing at Arena Stage, is living in Foggy Bottom during her stay in Washington. Temporarily the house guest of Josephine Thompson, 2622-I-St., Louise this week moved over to share Astrid Wilsrud's house, 2423 E-St., for the remainder of the time the current Arena show runs. Astrid's the ingenue in the Arena production.

RUFUS LISLE MANAGER OF HOUSING CENTER

A cordial welcome is extended to all residents of Foggy Bottom to visit the National Housing Center by Rufus Lisle, 2525 I-St., Vice President of the Foggy Bottom Restoration Association. Rufus was recently appointed General Manager of the Center located at 1625 L St., N.W.

Rufus describes the Center as "a showcase of the building industry." Some 175 manufacturers of products for the industry have exhibits at the Center. It is open to the public 10 a. m. to 6 p. m. weekdays and 1 to 6 p. m. on Sunday. Admission is free.

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BIG SYCAMORE BRINGS LUCK

Over on GW campus these days students are huddling under a certain tree to bone up for finals. It's in Main Yard, and is known as Big Sycamore. Students think it brings them luck to study beneath its spreading branches. Many a troth is plighted in the shade of its big sensuous leaves.

GRANDPA TO HELP JACK BUILD

Jack Griswold expects his grandpappy to visit him in the Fall and help finish the house Jack and Russell Applegate are building at 2508 I-St. Jack's maternal grandfather, Robert Lippman, lives with Jack's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Park Griswold at Sharon Center, Ohio.

One of the top bowlers on his bowling team, Grandpa Griswold received a trophy at a surprise party given him last week to celebrate his 90th birthday.

"Grandpa never misses a horserace and breaks even on his bets," Jack brags. "His erect posture and 30-inch waistline are the envy of many men half a century younger. Believe me, he'll be a big help on our house. Our only problem will be keeping up with him."

PUBLIC GARDEN

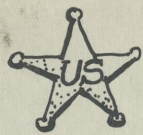
Jack Babbitt and Angelina Brain, who live in the 700 block on 25th St., are spearheading a neighborhood flower garden at the corner of 25th and I. The plot at present is an undeveloped strip of land on the I-St., side of 700 25th, was donated for the project by Polly Spoffard, the owner.

Plans call for a retaining wall to keep dogs out of the beauty spot.

FOUR MORE TO BE RENOVATED ON "MAIN STREET"

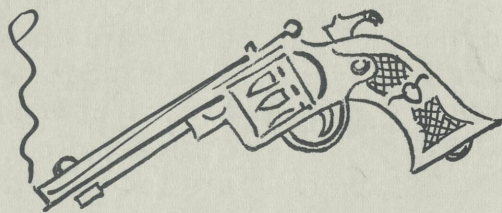
The four houses at 2429, 2431, 2433, and 2435 I-St. are soon to be renovated, completing the restoration on the north side of Foggy Bottom's "Main Street" in that block.

Carl F. Sharek, who lives on Persimmon Tree Road in Potomac, Md., and works at the State Department, bought the four houses and plans to do over the brick structures himself. He sold the frame houses and they are to be replaced with brick structures. Russell Eldredge has the job. These four houses have parking areas in back, therefore built-in garages are not in the plans.



the sheriff says

. . . That there is a dead sycamore tree on the northwest corner of 25th and Eye, scared to death by all of the streetdrilling of recent weeks. . . . That the March blizzard knocked all of the patio fences in one part of Snows Court all askew and forced the "row" to rebuild all of the fences. . . . that "condemned" signs now appear on lots of houses in the 2400 block of K Street that the Alamac will not have a cocktail lounge off the lobby. . . . that "Pete's Place" reopened last week, three months behind schedule. . . . that Russ Eldridge will not cut down the big elm in front of his 5 new houses at New Hampshire and Eye. . . . that Helen McGrath had the first tulips in HER garden . . . that ticks are thick in the area this year. . . . that you can learn a lot of history of Foggy Bottom from the "watchmen" at the Gas Pumping House at 25th and H. . . . that the houses at 2503 and 2524 Eye are not the SAME color. . . . that the Ogdens' lawn was not once the 18th green at Burning Tree. . . . that the safest way to cross 25th and K at rush hour is naked--that'll stop traffic. . . . GW's new parking lot will not win a prize for beauty--nor draw CHM into an open discussion on artistic merits, 'tis bet. . . . that the new trees are all in leaf. . . . that the new apartment house on 26th Street looks like New Orleans, a little, that is. . . .



NEXT MEETING

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